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From Washington.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 23.

There was no session of the House to-day, and the Senate was only in session about a quarter of an hour, and then adjourned till Thursday.

It is beginning to be evident that the present will run into the regular session.

Appointments are now in order, and it is said that Gen. Lomax, at present of France, will get an \$1,800 place in the Department.

The applicants for office are still very numerous, but nearly all the places have been promised.

A delegation of Virginians are here to-day, urging the appointment of Col. John S. Mosby as an assistant to the Attorney General, but the indications are not favorable, though the President seemed anxious that Col. M. should have the place desired.

Col. M. D. Ball, who was recommended for a position in the special postal department, has not yet been appointed, and his friends are by no means sanguine.

The executive session of the Senate, to-day, did not last more than twenty minutes.

The Senate in executive session, to-day, confirmed the nomination of Langston as Minister to Hayti, and McCormick as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

SENATE.

The Senate met at noon. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior on the subject of pensions was read and referred.

Mr. Dawes presented a memorial for the extension of the Capitol grounds, erection of national libraries, &c. Referred.

Also, joint resolution authorizing the publication of decisions of the Interior Department relative to the public lands.

The following bills were introduced:

A bill to provide a lawful note and coin re-coiner.

A bill to authorize a bond for the investment of savings.

A bill to permit Indians to become citizens of the United States.

A bill to equalize bounties.

At 12:25 the Senate went into Executive session, and then adjourned until Monday.

News of the Day.

The democrats of Baltimore had their last grand rally preceding the municipal election last night. The meeting, which was large, was addressed by Hon. Milton Saylor, of Ohio; Hon. Mr. Blackburn, of Kentucky; ex-U. S. Senator W. T. Hamilton, of Maryland; and others. The election to-morrow is for Mayor, City Council and Sheriff. The contest is between the candidates for the mayoralty—Col. Geo. P. Kane, the nominee of the democrats, and Joseph Thompson, the workingmen's candidate. The republicans have made no party nomination, and support the workingmen's candidate.

A railroad war has broken out in Vermont, growing out of a disputed account between the Passumpsic and Southeastern railways. Col. Asa B. Foster on Friday last was arrested at Newport, Vt., on a charge relating to the accounts, and on Sunday he headed a party of railroad men and tore up a portion of the Southeastern railroad at North Troy, breaking the connection of trains from Boston to Montreal.

Samuel Humphreys and Edward Smith, who pleaded guilty to burning the Lebanon Valley railroad bridge at Reading, have been sentenced to five years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of one thousand dollars. The jury empaneled at Reading for the trial of thirty seven prisoners indicted for riot were discharged on account of the bias manifested by two of them after their selection. The trial was therefore postponed.

A night or two ago, while the famous dwarf Commodore Nutt was sleeping soundly in a Pullman palace car on his way over the Pacific railway to California, a man rushed into the berth and drew him forth. He screamed, and kicked, and cried, and pulled the band's hair, and at last the people who usually travel with him awoke. This frightened the abductor. He dropped Nutt and jumped from the car, and, owing to the confusion, made his escape.

At the Yearly Meeting of the Orthodox Society of Friends, in Baltimore, yesterday, statistics were received from the various quarterly meetings in Maryland, Virginia and the adjacent parts of Pennsylvania, showing that only thirteen out of the whole membership used intoxicating drinks, and these only occasionally, two of them under medical advice.

Yesterday a train was thrown from the track on the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad, near Noble, Illinois, by a displaced rail, which was evidently the work of design. Though two passenger cars and three sleepers were thrown off, no lives were lost nor was a single passenger hurt.

The great race on the Pimlico course at Baltimore, to have taken place to-day, was postponed until to-morrow, in order to have a dry track. Pools on the race were sold last night as follows: Ten Breck, 50:47; Tom Oshiltree, 25:25; Parole, 15:15.

A. G. Riddle was yesterday appointed by the District Commissioners attorney for the District of Columbia, vice Wm. Birney, resigned. Mr. Francis Miller has been appointed assistant attorney for the District.

The miners who recently went to work in seven collieries near Pittston have been notified of a reduction of ten per cent. in wages. They continue at work under protest.

Wm. S. Taylor, a produce merchant of Albany, has been detected in a series of forgeries, into which he was led by unscrupulous stock speculators.

The republicans and anti-Tammany and independent democrats of New York have nominated a combination ticket against Tammany, with Jacob Hens for register.

Gen. Abram Duryee, lumber dealer of New York, has failed. Liabilities \$98,000.

An incendiary fire at Frederick, N. B., last night, destroyed the residences of Dr. Cline, Edward Seeger, Elijah Clark and Jno. Mackey, the house and store of Martin Mackey, a house belonging to the Ferguson estate, Alderman Dykeman's dwelling and several other buildings. Loss \$30,000.

The suit against Thomas Conran, for defrauding the city of New York of \$450,000, as commissioner for the new court house, was dismissed to-day.

Rev. Dr. W. E. Muesey, an eminent divine of the Southern Methodist Church, died suddenly this morning at Jonesboro, Tenn.

Pimlico Races.

PIMLICO, MD., October 23.—In the first race, three-quarter mile, Wash. Booth came in first, Vermont second and Diamond third. Time: One-twenty-one.

PIMLICO RACE TRACK, BALTIMORE, Oct. 23. In the second race, Dixie stakes, two miles, was won by King Faro; Major Barker came in second and Susquehanna third. Time 3:55.

The Ohio Vote.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Oct. 23.—The official vote of Hamilton county in the recent election gives the following pluralities: Bishop (dem.) for Governor, 3369; Pitch (dem.) for Lt. Governor, 2770; Howells (dem.) for Treasurer, 2231; Piliars (dem.) for Attorney General, 2167; Okay (dem.) for Judge of the Supreme Court, 2415. The only republican elected was Coppeler, County Auditor, by 558 plurality.

Virginia News.

Secretary Thompson closed his speech at the Piedmont Fair last week by saying: "I cannot forget my present home on the prairies of the West, where my children were born and raised, and which is their home, any more than I forget my early home, where I was born and raised, on these fair plains by the Rappahannock, overlooked by yonder Blue Ridge mountains, so grand and beautiful in their permanence; and I can never lose my earnest interest in Culpeper and old Virginia; and let me assure you that any one hailing from Culpeper will always find a welcome from me, where and whenever we shall meet."

Benjamin F. Evans, a well known farmer, aged about 45 years, residing near Wagram, Accomac county, last Friday night, while suffering under a supposed fit of melancholy, the result of a protracted "drinking bout," blew out his brains by placing a shot gun in his forehead, and pulling the trigger with his foot.

At a conference of candidates for the Virginia House of Delegates, in Richmond, last night, of those opposed to the Moffett law all candidates (except five) were withdrawn. The contest at the primary to-day will be solely between anti-Moffett men and those in favor of that law.

Yesterday Mr. Braddock Gilman, an old gentleman living near Ashland, was riding to see his daughter near that place. When in sight of her house his horse fell and broke both bones of the old gentleman's leg.

The case of A. C. Brauham, of Lancaster county, charged with mail robbery, is set for a hearing to-day in the United States Circuit Court in Richmond.

George Miller, a Washington artist, will visit Richmond next Monday for the purpose of arranging the models of the Lee equestrian statue for exhibition during the fair.

John Marxhausen, charged with violating the Moffett liquor law, was found guilty, fined \$100, and the court added thirty days in jail, in Richmond, yesterday.

The grand jury of Rockingham failed to find a true bill against Samuel Hall, paragon of Louisa Lawson, for the murder of David G. Lawson.

A. M. Keiley, esq., of Richmond, was yesterday admitted to practice as an attorney and counsellor of the United States Supreme Court.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, is to deliver an address before the Southern Historical Society at Richmond on the 30th of October.

T. J. Loyall has been admitted to bail in \$2500 for shooting Alexander England, in Caroline county.

Rev. Wallace W. Dugan, professor at Wolf College, South Carolina, has declined the presidency of Randolph Macon.

Joshua Chandler was struck by lightning Sunday night and killed, while in a small boat, in Chincoteague inlet.

A Valuable Invention.

Mr. Stephen Longfellow, of Cambridge, Mass., now of St. Louis, a nephew of Henry Longfellow, the poet, has recently invented a ship's compass, designed to overcome variations of the needle due to local causes, such as the use of iron in construction, or the carrying of large masses of iron as cargo. Mr. Longfellow was in the merchant service and in the navy for many years, and this compass is the result of long study of the subject. The bowl of the compass is surrounded by four magnets in the form of segments, each segment one-sixth of the circle. They are insulated by means of porcelain or glass knobs so completely that a six pound magnet placed within a very short distance fails to affect them. These magnetic segments are put in slides around the upper part of the bowl of the compass, and being attached to jointed arms they can be readily adjusted to the plane of the chord in a broken circle, or group of chords, or to any other position. Their ordinary position is in the plane of the chord, extending around the upper rim of the bowl and distant therefrom only about one-fourth of an inch. They probably effect the same purpose as the compass of Professor Ayrton designed to effect the correction of local causes from local magnets placed near the compass and so arranged as to neutralize the influence of all other local attractions; but the inventor claims that these segmental magnets are much more efficient than any arrangement of magnets on the ship's deck. The bowl is not a true hemisphere but is shaped like an oblong acorn cup and has a hollow ball on the bottom, which may be weighted with shot. The spindle on which the needle rests instead of being fastened in lead at the bottom of the bowl is screwed up through the bottom with long bearings so that it may be surely maintained in its vertical position. The enclosing shell which is designed to protect the compass from storms, and the lamps for night observations are also of new forms, but the chief feature of the new compass is its use in segmental insulation for equalizing or neutralizing local attraction. If in practical trials it should do what its inventor claims for it, one great source of marine disasters will be removed—the errors arising from unknown variations of the compass due to local attraction.—*Washington (Det.) Commercial.*

Senator Morton.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—A Cincinnati dispatch says Dr. Bliss has reached Indianapolis. He found Senator Morton's condition less favorable than he expected to.

In this moist and variable climate colds are the rule rather than the exception. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is just the remedy for every one to take who is suffering from a cough, cold or any throat trouble.

MARRIED.

On the 22d of October, at the First Baptist Church, Georgetown, D. C., by Rev. Dr. Brink, ROBERT BELL, Jr., of this city, and EMMA J., youngest daughter of the late Major M. Sano, of Carlisle, Pa.

ALEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Alexandria Water Company, will be held at their office, No. 75 Prince st., on MONDAY, the 5th of November 1877, at 11 o'clock a.m.

T. D. FENDALL, Secretary.

RECEIVED THIS DAY—PENNSYLVANIA BUCKWHEAT, BUCKWHEAT, NEW YORK (hard packed) Beans and Potatoes, by W. C. A. JOHNSON, Jr.

Oct 22 N. E. Cor. Cam. & Royal st.

PRIME NEW YORK BUCKWHEAT cheap at

Oct 22 MCBURNEY'S.

DRIED SUGAR CORN just received cheap

Oct 22 MCBURNEY'S.

The Episcopal Triennial Convention.

At yesterday's session of the Episcopal General Convention, in Boston, after the Gazette's report of the proceedings closed, it was voted that clergymen have power to use the table of lessons reported by the committee in connection with the Lectionary for Lent. This action does not affect the table of lessons heretofore used.

The following report was presented:—

The Standing Committee on Indian Affairs, appointed by the House of Bishops, with authority to co-operate with the Board of Missions in promoting the civilization of Indians, and to invite the aid of the Government in their behalf, report that they have endeavored to be helpful to the cause by using the press and voice in behalf of the Indians, as well as by personal interviews with committees of Congress and with the executive officers of the Government.

The President of the United States, the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs evince the strongest desire not only to protect the Indians from oppression and frauds that have so long distressed the nation, but also afford them protection of the laws of the United States and to assist in procuring the legislation necessary to promote Indian civilization by adopting some intelligent and permanent policy that will claim the confidence of the people, their representatives in Congress, and of the Indians also.

The best possible plan suggested is to form an Indian bureau, composed of one of the Cabinet officers as chairman, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs as executive officer, two army officers not below the rank of colonel, and two civil officers, all but the Cabinet officer to be appointed for five or ten years, subject to be removed for cause. It is believed that Congress will afford the legislation necessary, and that through the agency of such a bureau most of the Indians can be induced to abandon their tribal relations, become agriculturists or herdsmen, wards of the Government, and productive citizens. Powerful bands of Sioux and Arapahoe Indians, hitherto untamable, were represented at Washington a few weeks since by a large delegation, including Spotted Tail, Red Cloud and other chiefs. These wild men, some of whom had been fighting under Sitting Bull, all plead most earnestly not only for farms and improvements, but for schools and churches as the only hope for their children. They seemed to be impressed with the belief that the Government is powerless to fulfill the solemn pledges to protect them on their reservations, and they therefore asked for farms and such help as are needed to enable them to become civilized like white men. Your committee are much encouraged by the great success of the missions of the Church to the Indians, in which devoted men and women are cheerfully laboring at much personal sacrifice, because their labors are blessed of God. In conclusion the committee wishes the aid of every member of this Convention and of all other good citizens in a combined effort to protect the Indians in their rights and to promote their early civilization and Christianization.

BOSTON, MASS., Oct. 23.—At to-day's session it was voted to concur in the messages from the House of Bishops relating to marriage with relatives, and for the appointment of a Committee on Foreign Churches. Rev. J. D. Palmer, and Rev. Dr. H. C. Wiley, with Henry Coppee and Peter H. King were appointed to the part of the House of Deputies on the joint-standing committee to consider the subject of adding to the Book of Prayer a prayer in the Spanish language.

The President appointed a committee as a part of a joint standing committee to consider the subject of marriages with relatives.

The Committee on the State of the Church presented a report referring to the good work accomplished in the past three years. Special reference was made to the death of Bishop Johns, of Virginia. The number of Bishops now in the Church is twenty eight, of whom Bishops Garrett, Elliott, Windfield, Delesky, Jaggar, Brown, Perry, Penick and Adams were appointed during the past three years. The report recommended increased effort in the work of the Church among the freedmen of the South, and also that the Book of Common Prayer be used at the opening and close of exercises in Sunday schools. Appended to the report were reports from various dioceses. The report which was adopted closed with a resolution asking the House of Bishops to prepare a pastoral letter addressed to the various dioceses.

The joint standing committee on the expenses of the convention reported that the expenses have been reduced to \$5,000, and that a further decrease could be made by reducing the number of copies of the Journal, which, it was claimed, were not appreciated by many of the clergymen to whom they had been sent. The report recommended that salaries of secretaries be paid yearly instead of every three years as heretofore, and that each diocese represented in the convention pay the expenses of its delegate, each delegate to be allowed \$2 per day besides travelling expenses. The report will come up for further discussion.

The canon adopted by the House of Bishops for the creation and government of the proposed order of Deaconesses and Sisters of the Church came up for concurrent action.

Rev. Dr. Huntington objected to the provisions in the canon for the government of the order whereby deaconesses would be governed more by diocesan rule than by a form established by the House of Bishops. He was heartily in spirit with the proposed organization.

Dr. Leeds, of Maryland, supported the canon as it came recommended by the committee, as did also Mr. Welsh, of Pennsylvania.

The Eastern War.

A Russian official dispatch detailing Friday's attack upon the second Grivice redoubt says:—"At the first attack the Roumanians were repulsed before they gained the redoubt. At the second attack the three foremost battalions leaped into the trenches and vainly endeavored to carry the redoubt. They remained one hour in the trenches, which gave rise to a premature report of its capture. The Roumanians then withdrew with the loss of two officers and two hundred men killed and twenty officers and seven hundred and seven wounded."

A Constantinople dispatch says the Russians from Medgidia are making daring reconnaissances as far as Bozarijik and Silistria.

A correspondent in Plevna telegraphs that the Turks are actively constructing a new interior line of formidable defenses. Cases of sickness are comparatively rare. Provisions have never failed, but it is impossible to provide fodder for the thousands of oxen and horses. The same correspondent telegraphs from Sofia, under date of Sunday, as follows:—"Six thousand provision carts are now on the road to Plevna."

Osman Pasha has ordered all Circassian irregulars, Bulgarians and non-combatant Mahomedans to quit Plevna.

A special dated Shumla, Monday, says:—"The Russians attacked the Turkish positions at Solonik to-day. The result is unknown. A dispatch from Constantinople states that Achmet Bey's appointment to the command of Ezerum has been countermanded."

A correspondent at Sistova telegraphs the following:—"The Russians have made contracts for the construction of a series of railways in Bulgaria. Work will commence on October 27. The main line will run from Sistova to Plovdiv and Tirova. The passage of the Danube will be by ferry boats, on the American plan, carrying several railway carriages each."

The grand jury of Baltimore has dismissed the case against Wm. C. Schley, charged with felonious assault on Nelly Fitzgerald, who was employed as a domestic in his family.

Foreign News.

Gen. Grant was entertained at a banquet by the Mayor and corporation of Brighton last night. In response to a toast he said if England and the United States remained as good friends and neighbors as now, the English speaking people would become the greatest in the world.

The Newmarket Houghton meeting commenced to-day with the race for the Criterion stakes. The winner turned upon Janotto; Cleonantine finished second, and Lord Olive third.

An article published in the Courier de France suggesting the immediate formation of a Cabinet of conciliation has attracted much attention in Paris. It is supposed to have been inspired by M. Jules Grévy and other Republican leaders.

Advices from Cape Town, October 21, by way of Madeira, state that a war has commenced in Frankish between the Galaks and British and their native allies. Fighting occurred on September 24th and 25th at South Mapossa and Likka. The Galaks, to the number of eight thousand, attacked the British, but were repulsed with a loss of two hundred on September 24th. Their loss on September 25th is unknown. The British loss was one man killed and six wounded. Reinforcements have been dispatched from Simon's Bay, and volunteers are being enrolled throughout the colony.

The latest particulars from the colliery explosion at High Blantyre, near Glasgow, Scotland, show that two hundred and thirty three men descended into the mines in the morning. None of these except one who was working near the shaft at the time of the explosion had been rescued up to a late hour last evening. Very little hope of rescuing the men is entertained, as the explosion occurred at 9 o'clock in the morning, and the exploring parties had to relinquish their efforts in one pit at 4 in the afternoon, because of the poisonous gas at the bottom of the shaft of the other pit (the colliery comprising two pits with communication between them). A faint knocking has been heard, but so far it has been impossible to reach the bottom of the shaft. The explorers have resumed operations at the first pit. They report forty corpses lying at the foot of the shaft.

News from San Domingo to the 12th has been received. The Government troops, the rebels were encamped in the suburbs of the city waiting for reinforcements in order to renew the attack. The Government troops had recaptured Laveja. All the other provinces were in a state of open rebellion. Reports from Hayti represent that everything was quiet.

A report from the Consulate at Lyons, France, reports a decline of fifteen per cent. in American imports from France; in silks alone the decrease was over seventeen hundred thousand dollars, while there was an increase of over half a million in the importation of raw silk, showing that the increase in home manufacture of silk had caused the decrease in imported silks.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The weaver's strike at Ashton by which a thousand operatives have been thrown out of employment for the past three weeks, has been terminated by the strikers accepting the terms offered by the employers.

General Grant and party will leave Charing Cross railway station at ten o'clock to-morrow morning by a special train. They expect to reach Paris by half past six in the evening. The American residents of Paris will hold a meeting to-day to organize a banquet in honor of the General. There will also be a banquet at the American legation on the 29th instant, to which President MacMahon and all the ministers are invited.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The work of exploring the colliery at High Blantyre, in which the explosion of coal gas occurred yesterday, proceeded throughout the night. Four of the miners were discovered alive about 11 o'clock, but in so exhausted a condition that one of them died before morning, and the case of another is thought to be hopeless. Many experts express the opinion that all the men remaining in the pits have perished, but even if any are alive no rescue party can reach them in less than eight or ten days. The work of bringing up the dead was resumed this morning. The bodies found are fearfully burned and mangled, showing that the explosion was of terrific violence.

PARIS, October 23.—Jules Grévy will accept the representation of the Ninth arrondissement of Paris instead of his former constituency—the arrondissement of the Dole Department of Jura, from both of which arrondissements he was returned, because the Republicans attach greater and more general significance to his election in place of the late M. Thiers—although M. Grévy favors a moderate policy believing it to be better for the country that President MacMahon should serve his term, still if the Marshal does not promptly accept the opportunity now open to him and sincerely co-operate with the moderate Liberals in guaranteeing the country against an anti-Republican surprise, M. Grévy is prepared to place himself at the head of the solid Left and maintain its claims and fulfill the duties imposed by the country in the late elections. The Constitutional to-day declares that "Moderation and patience" remain the watchwords of the Republican party.

The Oleanist organ Le Soleil insists upon a compromise which it declares is not only possible but necessary.

LONDON, October 23.—At the New Market Houghton meeting to-day the race for the Cambridgehire stakes was won by Jongleur, Belphoe came in second and Gladia third. Thirty-four horses ran.

BAR SOLDIER, BLOCK TIN and BABBIT METAL just received at 88 King st., corner of Royal—300 lbs. Tinman's Soldier of the best quality also a supply of Bar Tin and Babbit Metal, for sale wholesale and retail in quantities to suit. Orders solicited.

SHOE POLISH, for ladies' and children's shoes, Aniline Dyes of all colors, Sulphur Soap, Alaska Polishing Powder for cleaning glass, &c., &c., Fine Toilet Soaps, Jar Corks of all sizes and Sealing Wax for fruit jars. For sale by

Oct 23 K. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

WORKED FRINGES in all the new shades; also a large assortment of Black and Fancy Braided Trimmings and Buttons at

Oct 23 FERGUSON & BROS., 95 King street.

CHEAP SOAP—25 boxes—Higgins' standard soap, just received, for sale at 6 cents per cake, by

Oct 22 J. C. & E. MILBURN.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S MERINO VESTS AND DRAWERS. A full line very cheap at

Oct 22 C. C. BERRY'S.

NEW YORK GILT EDGE BUTTER for sale by

Oct 23 MCBURNEY & SON.

A GOOD SMOKE FOR 5 CENTS.—The Old London Cigars, for sale at

Oct 23 MCBURNEY & SON.

50 BBS CORN & WESTON'S CELEBRATED FAMILY FLOUR for sale by

Oct 23 WASHINGTON & BRO.

150 BUSHELS CHOICE TIMOTHY for sale by

Oct 23 WASHINGTON & BRO.

DRIED PEACHES and APPLES for sale by

Oct 23 J. C. & E. MILBURN.

PRIME CAPE COD CRANBERRIES rec'd. to-day by (Oct 23) J. C. & E. MILBURN.

FRESH LEMONS received to-day by

Oct 23 J. E. & E. MILBURN.

NEW YORK NAVY BEANS just received.

Oct 23 MCBURNEY & SON.

SMALL UNCANVASED HAMS at

Oct 23 MCBURNEY'S.

The Fairfax Delegate.

Mr. Fax, whoever you may be: You say that J. B. Troth, Courtland Lukens and Mr. Gillingham are radicals of the deepest dye. We are republicans, and in our card commending Mr. Pierson we made no concealment of the fact. When the township system went into operation the republicans in Mount Vernon Township had the control and could elect republicans to fill all the offices in the township, but we put a people's ticket in the field and divided with the conservatives, giving them an equal share of the offices; we gave them the assessor and collector, the two best offices. You see Mr. Fax that the republicans of Mount Vernon Township have acted in the spirit of conciliation for the past eight years, and the putting of a candidate in the field pledged to no party arbitrary way is no new thing to us, however it may astonish the Harbors of Fairfax Court House. We are for quieting party lines, and putting forward our very best men. In no other way can we redeem the old State. The situation is such that every man ought to be willing to make some sacrifice that the State might live. Now, Mr. Fax, you say that Mr. Farr is a young man of great energy, and that he is progressive; now a progressive conservative is a political misnomer. You ask, what good can Mr. Pierson do in the Legislature? You say he would be of no use. Now, sir, let me ask you what good or use Mr. Farr would be in the Legislature? He would not represent the conservatives, for he is a progressive; he would not represent the people of Fairfax because they are either conservative or republican; such a thing as a progressive conservative, or a conservative progressive, does not exist outside of that young man of great energy, Mr. Farr, and as he is the only specimen of a conservative progressive it is not right to send him to Richmond. He being the term of a new principle in politics, should be kept at home. Up to the present time I thought that a progressive conservative was an impossibility, but Fairfax has produced one and she ought to be proud of him, and not let him go to Richmond, but nurse him tenderly, and when he has evolved that new principle in politics, or when it has become so developed as to embrace two or three good specimens, it will then be time enough to make legislators of them, but while we have but one in the county do not expose him to such a great risk of being lost. Allow me, my dear sir, to congratulate you, and to sign myself your friend.

J. B. TROTH.

ACCOITING, Oct. 22, 1877.

COMMERCIAL.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET.—The market to-day shows a slight improvement on the ruling prices of yesterday. Transactions in Flour continue light, and there is no change to note in prices. Receipts of Wheat have increased, and 1,340 bushels of red were offered and sold to-day at 144, 145, 147 and 148, as to quality. Corn is also higher, though but little was offered, and sales were made at 64. 100 bushels of Rye brought 62, and 200 of Oats 35.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET, Oct. 23.—Prices this week ranged as follows: Best Devons at \$7.50; 600; that generally rated first quality 4.25; 600; medium or good fair quality 3.50; 4.75; ordinary thin Steers, Oxen and Cows 2.75; 3.25; extreme range of prices 2.50; 600. Most of the sales were from 3.75 to 4.00 per 100 lbs. Total receipts for the week 5096 head. Total sales for the week 3611 head.

Beef Cattle.—The market for Beeves to-day has been fairly active throughout nearly all the pens. Prices have declined 1/2 cent since our last report, the latest decline being on top grades. This class has shown some superiority in point of quality over the same grade last week, but the quality of the offerings generally suffered but little from that of last week's receipts. We quote at 2.75; 600 per 100 lbs. a few selections only selling at the latter price.

Milk Cows.—There has been a somewhat more